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SUBJECT: PROPOSED MEETING IN BERLIN OF ABC COMMISSION

REFS: (A) USBER 2384; (B) USBER 2315

1. THE US REP BROUGHT UP THE QUESTION OF A POSSIBLE MEETING IN BERLIN OF THE GERMAN COMMISSION FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE CIVIL POPULATION AGAINST ATOMIC, BIOLOGICAL AND CHEMICAL ATTACKS (ABC COMMISSION) IN THE NOVEMBER 2 FULL BONN GROUP MEETING. DRAWING FROM REF (B), THE US REP STATED THAT ALLIED MISSIONS HAD RECEIVED A MEMORANDUM FROM THE SENAT. HE ASKED THE FRG REP TO PROVIDE FULLER INFORMATION ON THE RATIONALE FOR HOLDING THE MEETING IN BERLIN.

2. THE US REP CONTINUED THAT HE HAD NO INSTRUCTIONS ON THE SUBJECT BUT PERSONALLY HAD CERTAIN MISGIVINGS ABOUT THE PROPOSAL. THE FRENCH REP (BOISSIEU) STATED THAT HE HAD "MORE THAN MISGIVINGS." THE FRG REP (HENZE) WAS
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UNINFORMED BUT UNDERTOOK TO LOOK INTO THE MATTER.

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3. WE ARE THUS INCLINED TO WAIT A REASONABLE TIME FOR AN FRG RESPONSE BEFORE PURSUING THE MATTER TRIPARTITELY AS SUGGESTED IN REF (A). ALTHOUGH NEITHER THE UK NOR THE FRENCH EMBASSIES HAD RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM BERLIN AS OF THE NOVEMBER 2 BONN GROUP MEETING, WE BELIEVE WE CAN CONTINUE TO COUNT ON A NEGATIVE FRENCH REACTION UNLESS THE GERMANS UNEXPECTEDLY COME FORWARD WITH A PERSUASIVE ARGUMENT FOR CONVENING THE COMMISSION IN BERLIN.
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